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MEMORANDUM

To: Legislative Oversight Committee Members
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State Consumer Family Advisory Committee Chairs
Advocacy Organizations and Groups
North Carolina Association of County Commissioners
County Managers
County Board Chairs
North Carolina Council of Community Programs
NC Association of Directors of DSS
State Facility Directors
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Area Program Board Chairs
DHHS Division Directors
Provider Organizations
MH/DD/SAS Professional Organizations and Groups
MH/DD/SAS Stakeholder Organizations and Groups
Other MH/DD/SAS Stakeholders

From: Mike Moseley 

Re: **Communication Bulletin #071**
MH/DD/SAS Community Systems Progress
Indicators Quarterly Report



It is my pleasure to present to you the Division's report of MH/DD/SAS Community Systems Progress Indicators for the second quarter of SFY 2006-2007. This report has been generated in response to Session Law 2006-142, House Bill 2077 which directs the Secretary to "Develop and implement critical performance indicators to be used to hold LMEs accountable for managing the mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services system."

This initial set of progress indicators is fully consistent with the goals of the *NC State Plan: Blueprint for Change* for each of the years of 2000 through 2006, as well as with the President's New Freedom Initiative, the CMS Quality Framework for Home and Community Based Services, and the SAMHSA National Outcome Measures.

As stated in the report's introduction, effective management of community systems is essential for the success of North Carolina's efforts to transform its mental health/developmental disabilities/substance abuse services system. Tracking the status and progress of community systems also provides a means by which the public and the General Assembly may hold the Division and Local Management Entities (LMEs) accountable for progress toward the goals of the system reform.



This report complements the *Quarterly DHHS-LME Performance Contract Report*, which evaluates each LME's compliance with 30 contractual items. Both reports are published 45 days after the end of each quarter of the fiscal year and posted on the Division website at:

<http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/mhddsas/statspublications/index.htm>.

The information in the *MH/DD/SAS Community Systems Progress Indicators Report* is an important companion piece to the *Semi-Annual Statewide System Performance Report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services*. The first statewide performance report was submitted to the General Assembly on October 1, 2006, also in response to Session Law 2006-142, House Bill 2077. It is posted on the Division web site at:

<http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/mhddsas/statspublications/reports/locrptstateperformancegoals10-1-06.pdf>.

The next report will be submitted to the General Assembly on April 1, 2007.

We hope that you will find the new reports insightful and useful in future planning activities.

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